

Senate File 235 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1020)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act permitting motor vehicles to stand unattended without
2 first stopping the engine.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.362, Code 2017, is amended to read
2 as follows:

3 **321.362 Unattended motor vehicle.**

4 ~~No~~ A person driving or in charge of a motor vehicle shall
5 not permit it the vehicle to stand unattended ~~without first~~
6 ~~stopping the engine, or when standing~~ upon any perceptible
7 grade without effectively setting the brake ~~thereon~~ and turning
8 the front wheels to the curb or side of the highway.

9 EXPLANATION

10 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
11 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

12 Current law prohibits a person from permitting a vehicle to
13 stand unattended without first stopping the engine, or without
14 effectively setting the brake and turning the front wheels to
15 the curb or side of the highway when the vehicle is standing
16 upon any perceptible grade. A violation of this provision is
17 punishable by a scheduled fine of \$20.

18 This bill eliminates the prohibition on permitting a motor
19 vehicle to stand unattended without first stopping the engine.